



THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of)
YAMAMOTO et al.) Art Unit 2137
Application Number: 09/918,642)
Filed: August 1, 2001) Examiner Kevin Schubert
For: METHOD FOR OBTAINING A SOLUTION)
OF AN OPTIMIZATION PROBLEM)
Attorney Docket No. ASAM.0013)

**Honorable Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231**

COVER LETTER

Sir:

[x] The fee for submission of claims is calculated as shown below:

FOR	TOTAL WITH NEW CLAIMS ADDED	TOTAL CURRENTLY ON FILE	CLAIMS PAID	RATE	CALCULATION
Total Claims	7	8	(Over 20)	x \$50	0
Independent Claims	5	6	3 (Over 3)	x \$200	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$360	0
REDUCTION FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY (note 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). IF APPLICABLE, VERIFIED STATEMENT MUST BE ATTACHED				x ½	
			TOTAL		0

In addition, the below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

- [x] Response/Amendment
w/claim amendments
[] Preliminary Amendment
[] Substitute Specification
[] Request for Continued Examination

- [x] Petition for Extension of Time (3 months)
[] Information Disclosure Statement
[x] Letter to Draftsperson (w/1 sheet)
[] _____ sheets of drawings
[] Petition under _____

- Please charge my **Deposit Account Number** _____ in the amount of _____ to cover the fees for
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- A check in the amount of **\$1,020.00** for the three-month extension fee is enclosed.
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 20, 2005, in the above identified application, the period of response to which is set to expire on October 20, 2005, with payment of the appropriate extension fee for three months. Please amend the above identified application as follows: